House Resolution No. 309

Whereas, it is with tremendous respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to note the mobilization of the 1932nd Medical Team from the 325th Field Hospital located at the Independence, Missouri, Army Reserve Center which is named after Medal of Honor recipient and Independence resident Sergeant Charles R. Long; and

Whereas, mobilization orders for the 1932nd Medical Team were issued by the Department of the Army through Headquarters, Fifth United States Army, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; and

Whereas, with a specialty in head and neck surgery, the 1932nd Medical Team is composed of Colonel Erlan Carlyle Duus, Colonel Steven E. Cross, Lieutenant Colonel Mary Rose Enderle, Captain Rita Margret Poce, Staff Sergeant Allen Riggs, Sergeant Dana Michele Candler, and Specialist Joshua Jacob Hild; and

Whereas, the 1932nd Medical Team members will travel to the Mobilization Station at Fort Riley, Kansas, where they will receive specialized instruction and processing before engaging in support of Operation Noble Eagle, an invaluable component of Enduring Freedom and the fight against terrorism wherever it may be found; and

Whereas, justifiably proud of its special relationship with the hometown of Harry S Truman, former military Colonel and President of the United States, the 1932nd Medical Team will continue to bring honor and glory to the State of Missouri and the 325th Field Hospital, 139th Medical Group, 89th Regional Support Command, while overseas as "citizen soldiers"; and

Whereas, when the men and women of the 1932nd Medical Team report for mobilization on Friday, February 7, 2003, they will be presented with an American flag which was flown in their name over the state capitol in Jefferson City, Missouri, on Thursday, February 6, 2003, and a Proclamation issued by the Honorable Bob Holden, Governor of the State of Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute the officers and soldiers of the 1932nd Medical Team; to convey to them this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of their patriotism, skills, and valor; and to express our sincerest best wishes as they mobilize for active duty assignments connected with the Noble Eagle operations of Enduring Freedom; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of mobilizing members of the 1932nd Medical Team from the 325th Field Hospital, United States Army Reserve Center, in Independence, Missouri.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 309, adopted February 6, 2003.